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Due to significant changes between the two systems, data from this publication should not be compared to prior quarterly reports on employment and wages. Please see the overview on NAICS on the previous Web page.

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<http://www.census.gov/epcd/www/naics.html>





FIRST QUARTER 2001 COVERED EMPLOYMENT AND WAGES



Effective with this publication, data will be based on the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) 2002. Due to the change in classification systems, there will be major shifts in employment and wages between industries; therefore, no comparisons are available to the previous quarter or year ago at the industry sector level. The average quarterly employment for Louisiana during first quarter 2001 increased by 7,488, or 0.4%, from the same period a year ago. Employment decreased by 22,441, or 1.2%, from the fourth quarter 2000. The following table shows the average quarterly employment data for first quarter 2001 for the major NAICS sectors. **This data should not be compared to data in previous publications due to the conversion to NAICS.**

	YR/QTR 011	YR/QTR 004	YR/QTR 001	% CHG FROM PREV QTR	% CHG FROM PREV YR
Total	1,856,963	1,879,404	1,849,475	-1.2%	0.4%
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	11,071	NA	NA	NA	NA
Mining	48,101	NA	NA	NA	NA
Utilities	15,281	NA	NA	NA	NA
Construction	129,390	NA	NA	NA	NA
Manufacturing	174,710	NA	NA	NA	NA
Wholesale Trade	76,930	NA	NA	NA	NA
Retail Trade	229,022	NA	NA	NA	NA
Transportation and Warehousing	80,732	NA	NA	NA	NA
Information	32,887	NA	NA	NA	NA
Finance and Insurance	61,334	NA	NA	NA	NA
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	35,816	NA	NA	NA	NA
Professional, Scientific and Technical Services	70,249	NA	NA	NA	NA
Management of Companies and Enterprises	24,044	NA	NA	NA	NA
Administrative and Waste Services	93,858	NA	NA	NA	NA
Educational Services	174,155	NA	NA	NA	NA
Health Care and Social Assistance	242,139	NA	NA	NA	NA
Arts, Entertainment and Recreation	46,553	NA	NA	NA	NA
Accommodation and Food Services	155,532	NA	NA	NA	NA
Other Services (except public administration)	52,206	NA	NA	NA	NA
Public Administration	99,944	NA	NA	NA	NA

Total wages for first quarter 2001 increased by 4.3% from the same period a year ago and decreased by 3.2% from fourth quarter 2000. The average weekly wage for first quarter 2001 was \$553.18, an increase of 3.5% from the first quarter 2000 figure of \$534.31. Table 1 includes average weekly wage data for all parishes within each NAICS sector by Regional Labor Market Area. Table 2 includes average weekly wage data by NAICS sectors at the statewide level.

The number of reporting units for first quarter 2001 decreased by 3,188 units, or 2.7%, from the same period a year ago and decreased 916 units, or 0.8%, from the previous quarter. The table on the following page shows the average number of units for first quarter 2001 for the major NAICS sectors.

Average Reporting Units

	QTR 011	QTR 004	QTR 001	% CHG FROM PREV QTR	% CHG FROM PREV YR
Total	115,723	116,639	118,911	-0.8%	-2.7%
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	1,629	NA	NA	NA	NA
Mining	1,732	NA	NA	NA	NA
Utilities	805	NA	NA	NA	NA
Construction	9,901	NA	NA	NA	NA
Manufacturing	4,645	NA	NA	NA	NA
Wholesale Trade	7,718	NA	NA	NA	NA
Retail Trade	17,244	NA	NA	NA	NA
Transportation and Warehousing	4,532	NA	NA	NA	NA
Information	1,714	NA	NA	NA	NA
Finance and Insurance	7,862	NA	NA	NA	NA
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	4,985	NA	NA	NA	NA
Professional, Scientific and Technical Services	11,201	NA	NA	NA	NA
Management of Companies and Enterprises	502	NA	NA	NA	NA
Administrative and Waste Services	5,252	NA	NA	NA	NA
Educational Services	973	NA	NA	NA	NA
Health Care and Social Assistance	10,488	NA	NA	NA	NA
Arts, Entertainment and Recreation	1,443	NA	NA	NA	NA
Accommodation and Food Services	7,446	NA	NA	NA	NA
Other Services (except public administration)	10,800	NA	NA	NA	NA
Public Administration	3,389	NA	NA	NA	NA